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**TITLE OF INVENTION: DESIGN METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT COMPRISING CHECKERS VERIFYING THE INTERFACE BETWEEN CIRCUIT BLOCKS**

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